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EMBOSSING STENCILS USED FOR AIR EMBOSSING FABRICS

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 14, 2004 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this Amendment.

An **Appendix** including a copy of proposed claim amendments and comments sent to the Examiner by facsimile in preparation for the Telephone Interview conducted with the Examiner by the undersigned on March 4, 2005 is attached after page 13 of this Amendment.